

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

September 2, 2020

Board Attendance Record

William Dryburgh 6/8
Don McCormick 7/8
Kay Tvaroch 8/8
Debra Anlauf 6/8
Erick Toth 7/8
Maria Greenberg 7/8
Fred Pazona 7/8

Present

William Dryburgh
Don McCormick
Kay Tvaroch
Erick Toth
Maria Greenberg

Absent

Fred Pazona

County Representatives

Joseph, Tiseo, Commission Liaison
Tommy Scott, Director
Kathy Koroschetz, Administrative Assistant

Guests

- Chairman William Dryburgh welcomed members, staff and visitors to the meeting.
- Roll Call
- Minutes
 - Motion to approve the 2020 August Minutes made by Don McCormick, 2nd by Maria Greenberg and was unanimously approved.
- Division Reports – July 2020
 - William Dryburgh asked when Ann & Chuck Dever Regional Park was opening, and Tommy Scott replied they had an electrical issue with lighting hitting a transformer, but would be open on Friday, September 4th, however Centennial Park, Harold Avenue Regional Park and Tringali Park were open today.
 - Kay Tvaroch asked if there would be restrictions with the programming, and Tommy Scott explained there would be restrictions in occupancy with changing each space based on square footage and social distancing, which will limit the amount of people. Also, we will be changing some programming just to encourage it, such as indoor

pickle ball only allowing singles play and not doubles play, and we are not allowing pick-up basketball, people can come in and shoot but no games at this time.

- Old Business
 - I. **Park Renaming Recommendations to BCC** – Tommy Scott stated the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) meeting on September 8th will have both the **Katherine Ariens Dog Park** and **John Hitzel Pavilion** on the Agenda for consideration for park renaming.
 - II. Commissioner Tiseo updated everyone on the usage of the Melbourne Street Parcel, stating it will be on the BCC Agenda on September 8th. There are six proposals to be discussed offering variety and all are very creative.
- New Business
 - I. **Discuss tour route for October meeting** – Tommy Scott offered some ideas for the October Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting (PRAB) tour by suggesting a visit to South County Regional Park to see upgrades to the parking and additional amenities. Also, we are working with Leadership Charlotte which is a Chamber of Commerce program, and this year their class project is to replace the score tower at the football fields, would like everyone to see that and lastly on the tour would be a visit to the horse arena.

The Board thought tour would be a good route to take since everyone will be driving their own cars to social distance and these areas are all very close. It was agreed to meet at South County Regional Park at 11:00am on October 7th to start the tour.

- Sports Council Update by Erick Toth
 - Reviewed COVID rules for all the clubs
 - Reviewed hazardous weather/lighting policies
 - Went through documentation and insurance binders
 - Went through field signage rules, lighting expectations scheduling, and field usage agreements
 - Reviewed the upcoming football season schedules
 - Reviewed background checks for board information reminders
 - Reviewed the recreation center re-opening plans
 - Went through field and facility questions with Monty Rodriguez
- Member Issues
 - William Dryburgh asked if South County Regional Park had fish in the pond there, Tommy Scott replied he would check on it.

- Directors Report
 - Tommy Scott handed out a flyer on the 1% Local Option Sales Tax campaign and educational sessions of the upcoming extension of the 1% Local Sales Tax program. The flyer listed the projects to benefit from the program such as Quality of Life, Schools, Public Safety and Transportation/Infrastructure.

Tommy Scott announced an Aquatics Coordinator has been hired for the Centennial Park Recreation Center pool and will be starting the week of September 7th and will be training and should be opening the pool on October 1st. Tommy Scott also announced that Mike Koenig, Resource Manager was in Orlando at the Florida Recreation Parks Association (FRPA) conference receiving the Agency Excellence in Environmental award, which is given out once a year and typically only large counties are given the award, but this year Charlotte County was excited to receive the award.

Tommy Scott updated the Board that Facility Use Agreements have been in place for decades with youth sports, and we will be taking to the BCC a new version of the agreement to the September 8th BCC meeting for their consideration, mainly because it was not updated for some time, but we now have adult organizations that want to participate.

- Citizens Input
- Announcement
- Adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

CC: Commissioner Ken Doherty, District 1
 Commissioner Chris Constance, District 2
 Commissioner Bill Truex, District 3
 Commissioner Stephen R. Deutsch, District 4
 Commissioner Joe Tiseo, District 5
 Hector Flores, County Administrator
 Emily Lewis, Deputy County Administrator

